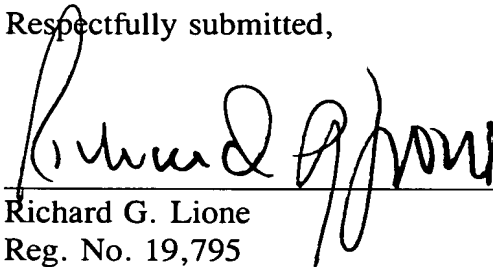


**REMARKS**

The specification has been amended to make record of the priority claims. The claims have been amended to eliminate improper dependencies.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard G. Lione", is written over a horizontal line.

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